

Joint Leadership Council of Veterans Service Organizations
General Assembly Conference
January 12, 2012

The Joint Leadership Council of Veterans Service Organizations (the JLC) held a conference at the General Assembly Building (morning) and the State Capitol (afternoon) on Thursday, January 12, 2012. No business was conducted and no roll was called.

Members and Alternate Members Present

Daniel Boyer, *Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)*
David Coffield, *Paralyzed Veterans of America*
Michael Coleman, *Virginia National Guard Association*
George Corbett, *Vietnam Veterans of America*
Edward Dauksz, *Association of the U.S. Army (AUSA)*
Frank Driscoll, *Navy Seabee Veterans*
Wes Edwards, *Military Officers Association of America*
Robert Fairchild, *Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH)*
Paul Galanti, *Commissioner of Veterans Services*
Carmen Gentile, *Reserve Officers Association*
Jenny Holbert, *Women Marines Association*
Lloyd Jackson, *Roanoke Valley Veterans Council*
James Jones, *Korean War Veterans Association*
Thad Jones, *Chairman, Board of Veterans Services*
Donald Kaiserman, *AUSA*
Thomas Moran, *National Association for Uniformed Services (NAUS)*
Jeff Platte, *Air Force Association*
Brett Reistad, *American Legion*
Rich Schollmann, *representing the Veterans Services Foundation*
Bruce Steeley, *Marine Corps League*
Bill Townsley, *Military Order of the World Wars*
Abe Zino, *Fleet Reserve Association*

Others Present

Judith Brooks-Buck, *guest*
Steven Combs, *Department of Veterans Services (DVS)*
Stanley Crow, *AUSA*
Jimmy Cox, *AUSA*
Dan Dennison, *NAUS*
Carol Jackson, *guest*
Ken Knight, *American Legion*
Carl Matney, *AUSA*
Allan Murray, *Disabled American Veterans (DAV)*
Cindy Norwood, *Office of the Attorney General*
Roger Overstreet, *DAV*
Jim Samuel, *MOPH*

Isabelle Slifer, *AUSA*
Hugh Sproul, *AUSA*
Roger Sullivan, *guest*
Cathy Wilson, *DVS*

JLC Chair Jenny Holbert called the morning session of the meeting to order at 8:26 a.m. in House Room 5E. After discussing preliminary administrative details, the first speaker was Lt. Gov. Bill Bolling. He was followed by:

- Del. Rich Anderson
- Del. Mark Dudenhefer
- Del. Mamyé BaCote
- Del. John O'Bannon
- Speaker of the House William Howell
- Del. Chris Stolle
- DVS Deputy Commissioner Bill Janis
- Del. Scott Lingamfelter
- Del. Kirk Cox
- Del. David Toscano
- Sen. John Edwards
- Sen. Frank Wagner
- Ms. Karla Boughey, Legislative Assistant to Sen. Walter Stosch, President Pro Tempore

Sen. Toddy Puller attended part of the morning session but did not have the opportunity to speak because of time constraints.

Following visits with individual legislators in their offices, the JLC recessed at 11:35 a.m. for lunch.

JLC Chair Holbert reconvened the meeting at 1:20 p.m. in the State Capitol, House Room 3. Afternoon speakers included:

- MG Daniel Long, Adjutant General, Virginia National Guard
- The Honorable Terrie L. Suit, Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security
- Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli
- Governor Robert McDonnell

The conference ended at 3 p.m.